



BOND ELECTION ADVISORY TASK FORCE MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
May 14, 2012**

The Bond Election Advisory Task Force convened in a regular meeting on Monday, May 14, 2012, at Town Lake Center, 721 Barton Springs Road, Room 130, in Austin, Texas.

**Chair Frank Fernandez called the Task Force Meeting to order at 6:15 pm.
A quorum was present.**

Task Force Members in Attendance:

Frank Fernandez, Chair	Griffin Davis	Jennifer McPhail
Terry Mitchell, Vice Chair	Craig Enoch	Leslie Pool
Rodney Ahart	Linda Guerrero	Tom Spencer
Don Baylor, Jr.	Alfonso Hernandez	Heather Way
Jeb Boyt	Celia Israel	

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting of May 10, 2012 were approved with the following friendly amendment on Task Force Member Pool's motion and Task Force member Davis's second on a 14-0 vote. The friendly amendment from Task Force Member Boyt was to note in the minutes on Agenda Item 3 that Task Force Member Boyt recused himself from discussions about the Violet Crown Trail due to a conflict of interest and that Task Force Member Mitchell had left the meeting.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The first 3 speakers signed up for each of the following issue areas were each allowed a 2 minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items posted on the agenda: Affordable Housing, City Facilities, Parks & Open Space, Transportation/Mobility, and Community-Based Projects.

- **Sherri Greenberg** (Affordable Housing)
- **Sarah Watkins, ADAPT** (Transportation/Mobility)
- **Haiwa Salovitz, ADAPT** (Affordable Housing)
- **Pat Smith** (City Facilities)
- **Sylvia Orozco** (Community-Based Projects - Mexic-Arte Museum)
- **Scott Flack, RECA** (Transportation/Mobility)
- **Martha Coter** (City Facilities)
- **Raul Carrera** (Community-Based Projects- Austin Studios)
- **Mona Gonzalez** (City Facilities)
- **Martha Smiley** (Transportation/Mobility)
- **Robert Ayres** (Open Space)
- **Charles Cloutman** (Affordable Housing)
- **Bill Bunch** (Parks & Open Space)
- **George Cofer** (Open Space/Community-Based Projects – Violet Crown Trail)
- **Scott Johnson** (Parks/Community-Based Projects)

3. NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

a. Discussion of Task Force recommendations, projects and programs for future bond funding, or developing a bond package.

The motion to recommend increasing funding for the 911 Dispatch Center Expansion at CTECC from \$5,000,000 to \$6,250,000 failed on Task Force Member Pool's motion, Task Force Member McPhail's second on a 7-7 vote.

The motion to recommend reducing funding for E. 6th Street project from \$18,000,000 to \$15,000,000 and allocate \$3,000,000 to the Mexic-Arte Museum was approved with the following friendly amendment on Task Force Member Ahart's motion, Task Force Member McPhail's second on a 9-4 vote, with 1 abstention. The friendly amendment from Task Force Member Davis was to tie the funding for Mexic-Arte to a set private match with an agreement to be worked out between the Mexic-Arte museum and the City so that if the conditions are not met, the funding would be available for other projects.

The motion to move \$4,000,000 from Design of New Projects to design of FM 969 failed on Task Force Member Way's motion, Task Force Member Guerrero's second on a 6-8 vote.

The motion to recommend reducing funding for the 911 Dispatch Center Expansion at CTECC to \$4,000,000 was approved on Task Force Member Davis' motion, Task Force Member Pool's second on a 12-0 vote. Task Force Members Ahart and Israel were off the dias.

The motion to recommend a \$575 million bond package with \$100,500,000 for affordable housing, \$98,800,000 for city facilities, \$150,000,000 for parks and open space, \$208,700,000 for transportation/mobility, and \$17,000,000 for community based projects was approved on Task Force Member McPhail's motion, Task Force Member Pool's second on a 13-0 vote. Task Force Member Israel was off the dias.

The motion to reaffirm that the Task Force work toward a \$400 million bond package recommendation was approved on Task Force Member Davis' motion, Task Force member Ahart's second on a 7-5 vote. Task Force Members Hernandez and Israel were off the dias.

The motion to recommend funding housing affordability at \$90,000,000 in a \$400 million bond package failed on Task Force Member Way's motion, Task Force Member McPhail's second on a 6-7 vote. Task Force Member Hernandez was off the dias.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Task Force cancelled the May 17, 2012 meeting and rescheduled it for Monday, May 21, 2012 at 6:00pm, with a limit of 2 speakers per issue area for citizens communication.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fernandez adjourned the meeting at 10:01pm without objection.